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Overview

Table 8.1 **Estimate of expenditure**

Proposal submitted by the Secretary-General	$46,189,200[a]
Revised appropriation for 2008-2009	$47,708,200

[a] At 2008-2009 rates.

Table 8.2 **Proposed staffing resources**

Posts	*Number*	*Level*
Regular budget		
Proposed for the biennium 2010-2011	144	1 USG, 1 ASG, 4 D-2, 7 D-1, 19 P-5, 19 P-4, 21 P-3, 14 P-2/1, 11 GS (PL), 47 GS (OL)
New posts	2	1 P-5, subprogramme 1 1 P-3, subprogramme 4
Abolitions	1	1 GS (OL), subprogramme 4
Approved for the biennium 2008-2009	143	1 USG, 1 ASG, 4 D-2, 7 D-1, 18 P-5, 19 P-4, 20 P-3, 14 P-2/1, 11 GS (PL), 48 GS (OL)

Abbreviations: USG, Under-Secretary-General; ASG, Assistant Secretary-General; GS, General Service; PL, Principal level; OL, Other level.

8.1 The overall purpose of the programme is to promote better understanding by Member States of and respect for the principles and norms of international law in order to support the accomplishment of the objectives of the United Nations.

8.2 The mandate for the programme derives from the principal decision-making organs of the Organization in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations and the Statute of the International Court of Justice.

8.3 Within the Secretariat, substantive responsibility for the programme is vested in the Office of Legal Affairs. It provides a unified central legal service for the Secretariat and the principal and other organs of the United Nations, supports the development of international justice, contributes to the progressive development and codification of international public and trade law and the strengthening and development of the international legal order for the seas and oceans, registers and publishes treaties and performs the depositary functions of the Secretary-General.

8.4 The Office provides services and legal advice, upon request, to the decision-making organs of the United Nations and its Member States. It aims to strengthen respect within the United Nations system for the rule of law, in particular observance of the Charter and the resolutions, decisions, regulations, rules and treaties emanating from the Organization. The achievement of gender equality is also addressed in the advice provided by the Office and in its activities, as appropriate.

8.5 The Office carries out its activities in cooperation with other departments and offices of the Secretariat, entities of the United Nations system and entities external to the United Nations, including treaty organizations, intergovernmental, interregional, regional and national organizations, non-governmental organizations and academic communities. Such collaboration and cooperation include the following:

(a) Coordination of interdepartmental activities, liaison with United Nations organs dealing with legal matters, offices away from Headquarters and legal advisers or liaison officers assigned to field missions or other secretariat units;

(b) Representation at and convening of meetings with legal advisers of the United Nations system and coordination of institutional arrangements for the specialized agencies and related organizations on matters of common concern;

(c) Representation of the Secretary-General and the Legal Counsel at meetings and conferences convened by the United Nations or sponsored by Governments, intergovernmental organizations and other international institutions.

8.6 The issue of publications as a part of the programme of work has been reviewed in the context of each subprogramme. It is anticipated that recurrent and non-recurrent publications will be issued as summarized in table 8.3 and as described in the output information for each subprogramme. The decrease over the past bienniums reflects consolidation and reformulation in an effort to further increase the comprehensiveness, quality and relevance of publications.

Table 8.3 **Summary of publications**

Publications	*2007-2008 actual*	*2008-2009 estimate*	*2010-2011 estimate*
Recurrent	111	187	141
Non-recurrent	9	10	16
Total	**120**	**197**	**157**

8.7 The Office of the Under-Secretary-General for Legal Affairs was established from 1 January 2008. During the biennium 2010-2011, the Office will continue to support the Legal Counsel in the timely discharge of her responsibilities and in the management of the Office, which includes adapting and redeploying the resources of the Office of Legal Affairs to address changing Organizational priorities and increased mandates and streamlining the Office's management systems. The Office of the Under-Secretary-General will support the Legal Counsel in formulating recommendations to the Secretary-General in interdepartmental and inter-agency bodies, in coordinating the United Nations Legal Advisers Network and in providing legal advice to high-level inter-agency bodies. It will monitor the implementation of the programme of work and will act as the focal point for information on all aspects of the work of the Office of Legal Affairs. It will also coordinate interdepartmental activities and will consult and negotiate with other departments, offices, subsidiary bodies and related agencies in the United Nations system on matters of mutual concern. In order to centralize the management of legal documents, the redeployment of two General Service posts (1 Principal level and 1 Other level) from the legal archives, Office of the Legal Counsel (subprogramme 1), to the Office of the Under-Secretary-General is proposed. Adoption of this proposal would place the responsibility for the legal archives under the central authority of the Office of the Under-Secretary-General.

8.8 Subprogramme 1 is implemented by the Office of the Legal Counsel, which will continue to provide legal services to the United Nations system as a whole. The Office seeks to provide qualitative and timely legal advice and assistance to facilitate the functioning of the United Nations, both at Headquarters and in the field, in accordance with international law and the legal regime of the United Nations. It will continue to provide advice at meetings of the political organs of the United Nations, to protect the privileges and immunities of the Organization and to ensure that appropriate legal instruments are finalized in respect of the activities of the United Nations.

The demand for legal services provided by the Office continues to increase, particularly with regard to support for the peacekeeping operations of the Organization, support for international courts and tribunals, advice on matters involving the privileges and immunities of the Organization and its officials and experts on mission and support in respect of the work of the Department of Political Affairs. Each of those areas has seen a significant rise in the request for legal services in the last five years. It is therefore proposed that one additional P-5 post be established in the biennium 2010-2011 to enable the subprogramme to provide senior-level expertise in dealing with diverse and complex matters as it continues to meet increased demand throughout the Organization.

8.9 Subprogramme 2 is implemented by the General Legal Division, which provides general legal services and support to United Nations organs and programmes. The Division seeks to provide timely and effective legal advice, assistance and services to units of the Organization (e.g. Headquarters, regional commissions and other offices away from Headquarters, and peacekeeping and other missions) and of the separately funded subsidiary organs of the United Nations in order to protect the legal interests of the Organization and to prevent or minimize legal liabilities arising from its activities and operations. Demand for legal services provided by the Division continues to increase, particularly with regard to support for peacekeeping and similar missions of the Organization, internal investigations and the development and implementation of reform policies, including reform of the internal administration of justice system. In addition, the Division will continue to assist the Organization in the design and implementation of innovative legal arrangements for meeting the logistical requirements of the Organization's peacekeeping, political and humanitarian operations. It will continue to defend the Organization from claims by contractors and third parties arising from activities and operations of the United Nations with the aim of minimizing the Organization's legal liabilities. Finally, in response to recommendations made by both internal and external auditors, the Division will continue to work to improve the Organization's procurement practices through the development and improvement of standard forms of contracts and related instruments, as well as the reform of the policies and procedures for such procurement activities.

8.10 Subprogramme 3 is implemented by the Codification Division. The Division plays an increasing role in the substantive servicing of a growing number of legal bodies, including the preparation of analytical reports for the chairpersons of various working groups on legal instruments, comprehensive studies of relevant State practice for the International Law Commission and special rapporteurs and assisting the special rapporteurs in the preparation of their reports and commentaries to draft articles adopted by the Commission. The Division has significantly expanded the creation and maintenance of highly complex websites for legal research, including 16 new websites in the past 10 years, and it plans to create 16 additional websites by 2010. It has also extended its desktop publishing programme to additional publications and assumed responsibility for all related tasks, such as: editing, proofreading, formatting and translation of short texts in order to deliver the final product in the minimum amount of time.

8.11 Subprogramme 4 is implemented by the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea. The mandate of this subprogramme derives from the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, the 1995 Fish Stocks Agreement and General Assembly resolutions on sustainable fisheries. During the biennium 2010-2011, increased activities are expected as a result of the significantly higher number of reports to be submitted to the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf by coastal States. Increased activities are also expected in relation to the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity beyond areas of national jurisdiction and requirements for servicing and follow-up of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Informal Working Group to study issues relating to the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity beyond areas of national jurisdiction. Furthermore, the Division will be responding to requirements for

servicing and follow-up of the Meeting of States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea and the Review Conference on the Fish Stocks Agreement and also with respect to the Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea, particularly in view of enhanced cooperation with funds, programmes and agencies of the United Nations system. In order to further strengthen the capacity of the Division, as requested by the General Assembly in its resolution 63/111, and to adequately respond to growing demand for the provision of Geographic Information System (GIS) services to the Commission, it is proposed to establish a new P-3 post in the biennium 2010-2011. The new post will ensure the provision of working-level GIS expertise to the three subcommissions of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf. It is also proposed that one General Service (Other level) post be abolished as a result of the consolidation of administrative support functions in the Division.

8.12 With respect to subprogramme 5, the International Trade Law Division will continue to provide substantive services to the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) and its working groups with a view to expanding the body of uniform legal standards for worldwide use and to preparing the future legislative work programme of UNCITRAL. Strengthened coordination between international organizations active in the field of international trade law will also be sought, consistent with the mandate of UNCITRAL as the core legal body in the United Nations system in the field of international trade law.

8.13 With regard to subprogramme 6, the Treaty Section, with a view to facilitating wider awareness of treaty-related information, will continue to discharge the functions of the Secretary-General as depositary of more than 530 multilateral treaties. It will continue to promote wider participation in the multilateral treaty framework through two treaty events at United Nations Headquarters and will provide assistance to States on technical and legal aspects of their participation in treaties deposited with the Secretary-General through capacity-building seminars. Furthermore, the Treaty Section will continue to enhance and refine its computerization programme during the biennium to respond effectively to the needs of Member States and other end-users.

8.14 The overall resource requirements for the biennium 2010-2011 of the Office of Legal Affairs amount to $46,189,200, before recosting, reflecting a decrease of $1,519,000 in resources (3.2 per cent). The overall level of resources, as indicated in table 8.5 below, reflects, inter alia, the delayed impact of one new post (P-5) established in 2008-2009 in the Office of the Under-Secretary-General ($190,200), the discontinuation of a non-recurrent provision of $1,365,300 for the proprietary software provided to the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea in 2008-2009; the proposals for the establishment of a new P-5 post for a Senior Legal Officer in the Office of the Legal Counsel and a new P-3 post for a GIS Officer in the Division of Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea ($224,400); the proposed abolition of one General Service (Other level) post in the Division of Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea and a decrease in non-post requirements of $568,300, mainly for consultancy and contractual services.

8.15 During the biennium 2010-2011, projected extrabudgetary resources amounting to $13,401,000 would complement various activities related to, inter alia, support for United Nations organizations, peacekeeping operations, symposiums on international trade law and assistance in the teaching, study, dissemination and wider appreciation of international law. The extrabudgetary resources will be utilized for assisting States in the settlement of disputes through the International Court of Justice, promoting international law, providing assistance in the teaching, study, dissemination and wider appreciation of international law, assisting developing States in attending meetings of the United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea, assisting members of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf from developing States to participate in meetings; assisting developing States in the preparation of submissions to the Commission; and conducting seminars on international trade law. The Office of

Legal Affairs is supported by 26 posts (20 in the Professional and higher category and 6 in the General Service category). The increase relates mainly to the request for three new extrabudgetary posts for the peacekeeping support account in order to cope with the increased demand placed on the Office of Legal Affairs to provide legal services to peacekeeping operations.

8.16 Pursuant to General Assembly resolution 58/269, resources identified for monitoring and evaluation would amount to $1,076,300, representing 48 work-months of staff in the Professional and higher category and 19 work-months of staff in the General Service category, of which $988,900 will be funded from the regular budget and $87,400 from extrabudgetary resources.

8.17 The estimated percentage distribution of the resources of the programme in the biennium 2010-2011 is as shown in table 8.4, and the resource and post requirements are summarized in tables 8.5 and 8.6.

Table 8.4 **Distribution of resources by component**

(Percentage)

Component	*Regular budget*	*Extrabudgetary*
A. Policymaking organs		
1. International Law Commission	4.9	—
2. United Nations Commission on International Trade Law	1.0	—
Subtotal A	**5.9**	—
B. Executive direction and management	4.6	—
C. Programme of work		
1. Provision of legal services to the United Nations as a whole	8.3	27.9
2. General legal services provided to United Nations organs and programmes	14.0	43.7
3. Progressive development and codification of international law	14.8	1.8
4. Law of the sea and ocean affairs	19.1	24.9
5. Progressive harmonization, modernization and unification of the law of international trade	14.3	1.7
6. Custody, registration and publication of treaties	14.4	—
Subtotal C	**84.9**	**100.0**
D. Programme support	4.6	—
Total	**100.0**	**100.0**

Table 8.5 **Resource requirements by component**

(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) *Regular budget*

Component	*2006-2007 expenditure*	*2008-2009 appropriation*	*Resource growth*		*Total before recosting*	*Recosting*	*2010-2011 estimate*
			Amount	*Percentage*			
A. Policymaking organs	2 480.4	2 759.9	(28.7)	(1.0)	2 731.2	121.4	2 852.6
B. Executive direction and management	—	1 580.5	542.5	34.3	2 123.0	112.1	2 235.1
C. Programme of work	38 268.6	41 252.9	(2 063.1)	(5.0)	39 189.8	1 795.5	40 985.3

Component	2006-2007 expenditure	2008-2009 appropriation	Resource growth		Total before recosting	Recosting	2010-2011 estimate
			Amount	Percentage			
D. Programme support	2 068.0	2 114.9	30.3	1.4	2 145.2	108.0	2 253.2
Subtotal (1)	**42 817.0**	**47 708.2**	**(1 519.0)**	**(3.2)**	**46 189.2**	**2 137.0**	**48 326.2**

(2) *Extrabudgetary*

	2006-2007 expenditure	2008-2009 estimate	2010-2011 estimate
Subtotal (2)	**4 831.5**	**12 056.5**	**13 401.0**
Total (1) and (2)	**47 648.5**	**59 764.7**	**61 727.2**

Table 8.6 **Post requirements**

Category	Established regular budget posts		Temporary posts				Total	
			Regular budget		Extrabudgetary[a]			
	2008-2009	2010-2011	2008-2009	2010-2011	2008-2009	2010-2011	2008-2009	2010-2011
Professional and above								
USG	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
ASG	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
D-2	4	4	—	—	—	—	4	4
D-1	7	7	—	—	2	2	9	9
P-5	18	19	—	—	5	6	23	25
P-4/3	39	40	—	—	8	10	47	50
P-2/1	14	14	—	—	2	2	16	16
Subtotal	**84**	**86**	**—**	**—**	**17**	**20**	**101**	**106**
General Service								
Principal level	11	11	—	—	—	—	11	11
Other level	48	47	—	—	6	6	54	53
Subtotal	**59**	**58**	**—**	**—**	**6**	**6**	**65**	**64**
Total	**143**	**144**	**—**	**—**	**23**	**26**[a]	**166**	**170**

[a] Includes 10 posts (2 D-1, 1 P-5, 1 P-4, 1 P-3, 1 P-2, 4 General Service (Other level)) funded from support provided to extrabudgetary administrative structures and 16 posts (5 P-5, 7 P-4, 1 P-3, 1 P-2, 2 General Service (Other level)) funded from support provided to peacekeeping operations.

A. Policymaking organs

1. International Law Commission

Resource requirements (before recosting): $2,255,900

8.18 The International Law Commission was established by the General Assembly in its resolution 174 (II). The Commission has as its objective the promotion of the progressive development of international law and its codification. It consists of 34 members who are persons of recognized

competence in international law. Unless otherwise decided by the Assembly, the Commission meets annually for one 12-week session in Geneva and reports to the Assembly, which provides guidance to the Commission on its programme of work. The Codification Division of the Office of Legal Affairs provides substantive servicing for the Commission.

Table 8.7 **Resource requirements: International Law Commission**

	Resources (thousands of United States dollars)		*Posts*	
Category	*2008-2009*	*2010-2011 (before recosting)*	*2008-2009*	*2010-2011*
Regular budget				
Non-post	2 255.9	2 255.9	—	—
Total	**2 255.9**	**2 255.9**	—	—

8.19 The amount of $2,255,900 covers the costs of: (a) attendance by the Chairperson and 33 members at the annual session in Geneva; (b) attendance by the Chairperson at the regular sessions of the General Assembly during the consideration of the Commission's reports; and (c) attendance by the Chairperson or another representative of the Commission at the sessions of the four regional legal intergovernmental bodies (2 weeks each) with which the Commission, pursuant to its statute, has established links of cooperation.

2. United Nations Commission on International Trade Law

Resource requirements (before recosting): $475,300

8.20 UNCITRAL, comprising 60 Member States, is charged, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 2205 (XXI), with the improvement and harmonization of international trade law, which corresponds to subprogramme 5. The Commission carries out its tasks, with the assistance of the International Trade Law Division as its secretariat, in one annual meeting of up to four weeks' duration and in six working group meetings on specialized topics of up to 12 weeks' duration per year.

Table 8.8 **Resource requirements: United Nations Commission on International Trade Law**

	Resources (thousands of United States dollars)		*Posts*	
Category	*2008-2009*	*2010-2011 (before recosting)*	*2008-2009*	*2010-2011*
Regular budget				
Non-post	504.0	475.3	—	—
Total	**504.0**	**475.3**	—	—

8.21 The amount of $475,300 would provide for the travel of representatives, travel of staff and contractual services. The decrease of $28,700 is due to reduced requirements for external printing, as most of the printing will be done internally.

B. Executive direction and management

Resource requirements (before recosting): $2,123,000

8.22 The Under-Secretary-General for Legal Affairs, the Legal Counsel, is responsible for the overall policy direction, supervision, administration and management of the Office of Legal Affairs. She represents the Secretary-General at meetings and conferences of a legal nature and in judicial and arbitral proceedings, certifies legal instruments issued on behalf of the United Nations, convenes meetings of the legal advisers of the United Nations system and represents the United Nations at such meetings. In the exercise of her responsibilities, the Legal Counsel is assisted by the Assistant Secretary-General for Legal Affairs, who serves as her deputy.

8.23 The Office of the Under-Secretary-General for Legal Affairs supports the Legal Counsel in the timely discharge of her responsibilities and in the management of the Office, which includes monitoring the resources of the Office of Legal Affairs to address changing Organizational priorities and increased mandates and streamlining the Office's management systems. The Office supports the Legal Counsel in formulating recommendations to the Secretary-General in interdepartmental and inter-agency bodies, in the coordination of the United Nations Legal Advisers Network and in the provision of legal advice to high-level inter-agency bodies. It monitors the implementation of the programme of work and acts as the focal point for information on all aspects of the work of the Office of Legal Affairs. It also coordinates interdepartmental activities and consults and negotiates with other departments, offices, subsidiary bodies and related agencies of the United Nations system on matters of mutual concern.

Table 8.9 **Objectives for the biennium, expected accomplishments, indicators of achievement and performance measures**

Objective of the Organization: To ensure full implementation of legislative mandates and compliance with United Nations policies and procedures with respect to the management of the programme of work and of staff and financial resources.

Expected accomplishments of the Secretariat	Indicators of achievement
(a) The programme of work is effectively managed	(a) Timely delivery of outputs *Performance measures* 2006-2007: not available Estimate 2008-2009: 96 per cent Target 2010-2011: 96 per cent
(b) Timely recruitment and placement of staff	(b) Reduction in the average number of days a Professional post remains vacant *Performance measures* 2006-2007: 120 days Estimate 2008-2009: 120 days Target 2010-2011: 120 days

(c) Improved geographical representation and gender balance of staff	(c) (i) Increased percentage of staff recruited from unrepresented and underrepresented Member States in the Office of Legal Affairs *Performance measures* 2006-2007: 50 per cent Estimate 2008-2009: 50 per cent Target 2010-2011: 50 per cent (ii) Increased percentage of women in the Professional and higher category for appointments of one year or more *Performance measures* 2006-2007: 50 per cent Estimate 2008-2009: 50 per cent Target 2010-2011: 50 per cent
(d) Increased timeliness of submission of documentation	(d) Increased percentage of documents submitted in accordance with the deadline *Performance measures* 2006-2007: 90 per cent Estimate 2008-2009: 90 per cent Target 2010-2011: 90 per cent
(e) Enhanced coordination in the work of legal advisers and legal liaison officers of the United Nations system	(e) Number of major meetings carried out in collaboration with other legal advisers *Performance measures* 2006-2007: 6 meetings Estimate 2008-2009: 8 meetings Target 2010-2011: 8 meetings

External factors

8.24 The Office of Legal Affairs is expected to achieve its objectives and expected accomplishments in the area of executive direction and management on the assumption that: (a) the principal and subsidiary organs of the United Nations will seek legal advice from the Office when the legal interests or liabilities of the Organization are affected by their activities and operations; (b) the required human and financial resources will be made available; and (c) suitably qualified candidates from the relevant unrepresented and underrepresented Member States will present

themselves and the National Competitive Examination roster will include candidates from those Member States.

Outputs

8.25 During the biennium 2010-2011, the following outputs will be delivered:

(a) Regular formal meetings with the director of each unit and regular meetings of the Management Committee of the Office of Legal Affairs to ensure the timely provision of advisory services and the substantive servicing of meetings;

(b) Representation of the Secretary-General in legal conferences and legal proceedings, as required, and provision of legal advice to the Secretary-General;

(c) Issuance of vacancy announcements, constitution of panels, evaluation of candidates and submission of recommendations to the review bodies;

(d) Facilitating training opportunities to improve the gender balance in the Office;

(e) Regular monitoring of all units to ensure the continued timely submission of parliamentary documentation and recurrent and non-recurrent publications;

(f) Organization and servicing of eight meetings annually in connection with three United Nations legal networks;

(g) Updating of the common electronic forum for the promotion of exchanges of information and the provision of advice to the members of the networks.

Table 8.10 **Resource requirements: executive direction and management**

	Resources (thousands of United States dollars)		*Posts*	
Category	*2008-2009*	*2010-2011 (before recosting)*	*2008-2009*	*2010-2011*
Regular budget				
Post	1 457.3	1 988.8	5	7
Non-post	123.2	134.2	—	—
Subtotal	**1 580.5**	**2 123.0**	**5**	**7**
Extrabudgetary	—	—	—	1
Total	**1 580.5**	**2 123.0**	**5**	**8**

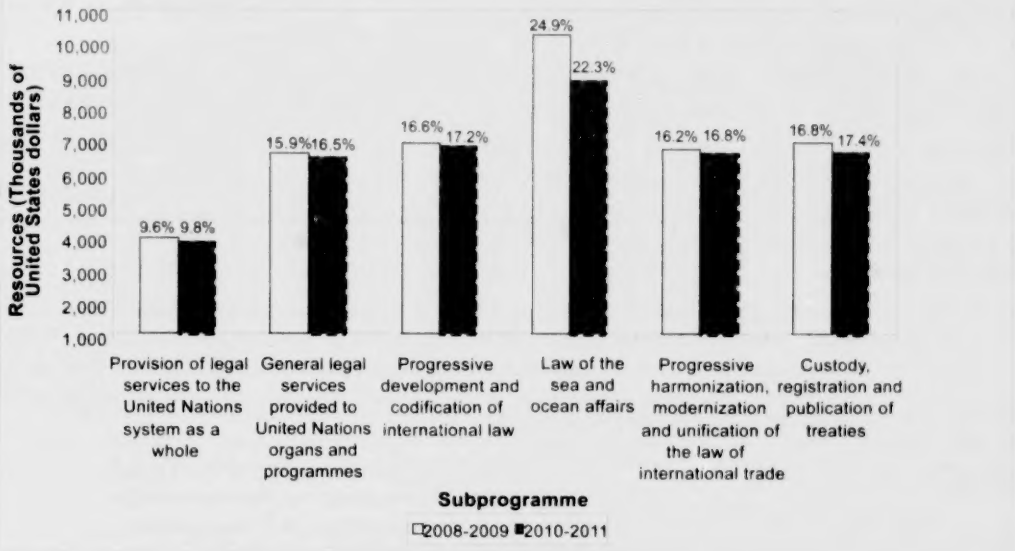
8.26 The amount of $2,123,000, reflecting an increase of $542,500, would provide for seven posts, including three in the Professional and higher category and four in the General Service category. The increase in post costs ($531,500) reflects the redeployment of two General Service posts (1 Principal level and 1 Other level) from the Office of the Legal Counsel (subprogramme 1) in order to centralize the legal archives under the authority of the Office of the Under-Secretary-General. This is in line with the provisions of Secretary-General's bulletin ST/SGB/2007/5 on record-keeping and the management of United Nations archives and ST/SGB/2007/6 on information sensitivity, classification and handling of confidential information entrusted to or originating from the United Nations. The non-post items ($134,200) relate to other staff costs, travel of staff, contractual services, general operating expenses, hospitality, and furniture and equipment necessary for the operation of the Office. The increase in non-post resources is due to the provision for the contribution to support central data-processing services provided by the Office of Information and Communications Technology.

C. Programme of work

Table 8.11 **Resource requirements by subprogramme**

Category	Resources (thousands of United States dollars) 2008-2009	Resources (thousands of United States dollars) 2010-2011 (before recosting)	Posts 2008-2009	Posts 2010-2011
Regular budget				
1. Provision of legal services to the United Nations as a whole	3 963.9	3 814.6	13	12
2. General legal services provided to United Nations organs and programmes	6 569.3	6 486.0	21	21
3. Progressive development and codification of international law	6 864.9	6 813.6	22	22
4. Law of the sea and ocean affairs	10 248.5	8 832.1	28	28
5. Progressive harmonization, modernization and unification of the law of international trade	6 682.1	6 591.0	21	21
6. Custody, registration and publication of treaties	6 924.2	6 652.5	27	27
Subtotal	**41 252.9**	**39 189.8**	**132**	**131**
Extrabudgetary	12 056.5	13 401.0	23	25
Total	**53 309.4**	**52 590.8**	**155**	**156**

Regular budget resource requirements by subprogramme



Subprogramme 1
Provision of legal services to the United Nations system as a whole

Resource requirements (before recosting): $3,814,600

8.27 Substantive responsibility for this subprogramme is vested in the Office of the Legal Counsel. The subprogramme will be implemented in accordance with the strategy set out under subprogramme 1 of programme 6 of the strategic framework for the period 2010-2011.

Table 8.12 **Objectives for the biennium, expected accomplishments, indicators of achievement and performance measures**

Objective of the Organization: To assist the principal and subsidiary organs of the United Nations in enhancing respect for the rule of law and supporting the development of international justice.

Expected accomplishments of the Secretariat	Indicators of achievement
(a) Provision of qualitative and timely legal advice, thus facilitating the functioning of the principal and subsidiary organs of the United Nations in accordance with international law, including the United Nations legal regime, and supporting international justice mechanisms, as mandated	(a) Satisfaction with the clarity and accuracy of the advice provided by the Office of Legal Affairs *Performance measures* 2006-2007: 100 per cent Estimate 2008-2009: 100 per cent Target 2010-2011: 100 per cent (b) Legal instruments are finalized in respect of the activities of the United Nations *Performance measures* 2006-2007: within 3 months Estimate 2008-2009: within 3 months Target 2010-2011: within 3 months

External factors

8.28 The subprogramme is expected to achieve its objectives and expected accomplishments on the assumption that Member States will be supportive of the Organization and recognize its status and its privileges and immunities through their legal systems and that United Nations departments and offices will seek legal advice in a timely manner, provide sufficient information for legal analysis and be guided by the advice provided.

Outputs

8.29 During the biennium 2010-2011, the following outputs will be delivered:

(a) Servicing of intergovernmental and expert bodies (regular budget) and substantive servicing of meetings:

(i) Advice to the General Assembly, its Main Committees, the Credentials Committee and conferences on the Charter of the United Nations, resolutions, rules of procedure, status of members and observers, credentials and representation (100 instances);

(ii) Oral and written advice to the Security Council and its subsidiary organs on the interpretation and implementation of resolutions, provisional rules of procedure and statutes of ad hoc criminal tribunals (25 instances);

(iii) Substantive and procedural advice to the Economic and Social Council, including functional and regional commissions, on the Charter of the United Nations, resolutions, rules of procedure, elections and non-governmental organizations (30 instances);

(iv) Substantive and secretariat services for the Committee on Relations with the Host Country and its working groups, including the preparation of notes and statements for the Chairman, assistance to the Bureau, analysis of legal issues and the preparation of reports and documentation (5 instances);

(b) Other substantive activities (regular budget): promotion of legal instruments:

(i) Advice to and support for the international and United Nations-assisted criminal tribunals and the relevant management committees on the constitutive instruments and the Secretary-General's functions thereunder, the rules of procedure and evidence and all related legal and administrative matters concerning the functioning of the tribunals;

(ii) Advice on legal questions concerning the privileges and immunities and status of the Organization, including the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) and the United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS), in the territory of Member States and relationships with States and intergovernmental organizations;

(iii) Advice on questions relating to the interpretation and application of the Charter, legal agreements, United Nations resolutions and general questions of public international law to ensure uniform and consistent practice of the law;

(iv) Advice to operationally responsible Secretariat units, offices away from Headquarters, peacekeeping and other missions and expert groups mandated to investigate matters related to international peace and security;

(v) Establishment of and advice on the necessary legal instruments, legal regimes and mandates for all peacekeeping operations and other missions, including status-of-forces and status-of-mission agreements, agreements with contributing States and cooperation agreements with regional organizations;

(vi) Formulation of statements of public international law and analysis of specific legal issues in response to enquiries from intergovernmental and regional organizations, international and academic institutions and the public;

(vii) Negotiation of international agreements, constitutive instruments and other instruments required for the conduct of mandates carried out by the United Nations and its subsidiary organs, including UNDP, UNICEF, UNFPA and UNOPS, with Governments and intergovernmental organizations;

(viii) Preparation and/or analysis of reports of a legal nature requested by the Security Council or its subsidiary organs in the field of international peace and security;

(ix) Liaison with the International Court of Justice and discharging the responsibilities of the Secretary-General under the Statute of the Court, including the preparation of legal statements and the transmission of notices relating to legal proceedings;

(x) Promotion of respect for Articles 104 and 105 of the Charter, the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations and the headquarters agreements with the United States of America and other host Governments;

(xi) Settlement of disputes in the area of public international law involving the Organization, including representation of the Secretary-General at judicial proceedings, including those of the International Court of Justice;

(xii) Coordination of interdepartmental activities and liaison with United Nations organs dealing with legal matters, offices away from Headquarters and legal advisers or liaison officers assigned to field missions or other Secretariat units;

(xiii) Representation at and convening of meetings with legal advisers of the United Nations system and coordination of institutional arrangements for the specialized agencies and related organizations on matters of common concern;

(xiv) Representation of the Secretary-General and the Legal Counsel at meetings and conferences convened by the United Nations or sponsored by Governments, intergovernmental organizations and other international institutions;

(c) Technical cooperation (regular budget/extrabudgetary):

(i) Advisory services: assistance to States, including through the Trust Fund to Assist States in the Settlement of Disputes through the International Court of Justice, in settling their legal disputes through the Court, including application of the Statute, and reporting to the Secretary-General and the General Assembly (5 instances);

(ii) Training courses, seminars and workshops: presentation of papers and participation in meetings and conferences sponsored by United Nations organs, Governments, professional societies or international organizations on legal issues relating to the functions of the United Nations (5 instances); provision of legal expertise and resource persons for training courses sponsored by Governments or international institutions for diplomats on subjects that are within the competence of the Office of the Legal Counsel (5 instances).

Table 8.13 **Resource requirements: subprogramme 1**

	Resources (thousands of United States dollars)		*Posts*	
Category	*2008-2009*	*2010-2011 (before recosting)*	*2008-2009*	*2010-2011*
Regular budget				
Post	3 667.3	3 544.9	13	12
Non-post	296.6	269.7	—	—
Subtotal	**3 963.9**	**3 814.6**	**13**	**12**
Extrabudgetary	2 560.5	3 736.3	7	9
Total	**6 524.4**	**7 550.9**	**20**	**21**

8.30 The amount of $3,814,600, reflecting a decrease of $149,300, provides for the continuation of 12 posts, including 8 in the Professional and higher category and 4 in the General Service category, as well as non-post resources for consultants and experts, travel of staff, contractual services, general operating expenses and furniture and equipment. The decrease in post costs ($122,400) reflects the redeployment of two General Service posts in the legal archives (1 Principal level and 1 Other level) to the Office of the Under-Secretary-General under executive direction and management, partly offset by one new P-5 Senior Legal Officer post, to deal with the constant increase in all forms of request for legal assistance and advice that fall within the mandate of the Office of the Legal Counsel, particularly in the areas of privileges and immunities, international courts and tribunals and assistance to the Department of Political Affairs, especially with regard to special political missions. The decrease in non-post items ($26,900) is the result of reduced requirements under contractual services for a computerized document management system, which is being implemented in the biennium 2008-2009.

8.31 The amount of $3,736,300 from extrabudgetary resources will be utilized to fund nine posts, including seven in the Professional and higher category and two in the General Service category. The lawyers and support staff will provide legal support and assistance to the Organization, specifically to funds and programmes and peacekeeping operations. The Trust Fund to Assist States in the Settlement of Disputes through the International Court of Justice will be utilized to provide financial assistance to States for expenses related to disputes submitted to the Court under Article 40, paragraph 1, of its Statute. The increase relates mainly to the two additional posts being requested for the peacekeeping support account and to the additional funding being provided for the Trust Fund.

Subprogramme 2
General legal services provided to United Nations organs and programmes

Resource requirements (before recosting): $6,486,000

8.32 Substantive responsibility for this subprogramme is vested in the General Legal Division. The subprogramme will be implemented in accordance with the strategy set out under subprogramme 2 of programme 6 of the strategic framework for the period 2010-2011.

Table 8.14 **Objectives for the biennium, expected accomplishments, indicators of achievement and performance measures**

Objective of the Organization: To protect the legal interests of the Organization.

Expected accomplishments of the Secretariat	Indicators of achievement
(a) Maximization of the protection of the legal interests of the Organization	(a) The absence of instances in which, unless waived, the status and privileges and immunities of the Organization are not maintained *Performance measures* 2006-2007: zero instances Estimate 2008-2009: zero instances Target 2010-2011: zero instances

(b) Minimization of the legal liabilities of the Organization	(b) The total amount of the Organization's legal liability is minimized compared with the total amount of claims brought against the Organization *Performance measures* 2006-2007: 65 per cent reduction of total amounts claimed Estimate 2008-2009: 65 per cent reduction of total amounts claimed Target 2010-2011: 65 per cent reduction of total amounts claimed

External factors

8.33 The subprogramme is expected to achieve its objectives and expected accomplishments on the assumption that Member States will be supportive of the Organization and recognize its status and its privileges and immunities through their legal systems and that United Nations departments and offices will seek legal advice in a timely manner, provide sufficient information for legal analysis and be guided by the advice rendered.

Outputs

8.34 During the biennium 2010-2011, the following outputs will be delivered: technical cooperation (regular budget/extrabudgetary): advisory services:

(a) Advice and assistance on arbitration or litigation arising out of peacekeeping and other missions, including representation of the Organization before arbitral, judicial and other quasi-judicial and administrative bodies (10 instances);

(b) Advice and assistance on arbitration or litigation unrelated to peacekeeping, including representation of the Organization before arbitral, judicial and other quasi-judicial and administrative bodies (5 instances);

(c) Advice and assistance on maintaining the privileges and immunities of the United Nations and its subsidiary organs before judicial, quasi-judicial and other administrative bodies (80 instances);

(d) Advice on administrative policies and procedures, including the formation and interpretation of regulations, rules and other administrative issuances (100 instances);

(e) Advice on claims arising out of peacekeeping and other missions, including assistance in resolving contractual and real property disputes, as well as claims for property damage, personal injury and death (30 instances);

(f) Advice on commercial activities unrelated to peacekeeping, including contracts and substantial procurement of goods and services, insurance, real property arrangements, intellectual property issues and procurement practices, policies and procedures (950 instances);

(g) Advice on commercial and other claims unrelated to peacekeeping, including assistance in resolving contractual and real property disputes, as well as claims for property damage, personal injury and death (150 instances);

(h) Advice on commercial aspects of development assistance, including goods and services, the establishment of field offices and the management of loans by Governments and regional, international or other financial institutions (300 instances);

(i) Advice on commercial aspects of peacekeeping and other missions, including contracts and substantial procurement for logistical support, insurance, demining and similar operations, disposition of assets, and air and sea charter arrangements (650 instances);

(j) Advice on legal aspects of financial questions, including the formation and interpretation of the Financial Regulations and Rules of the United Nations, treasury operations, banking arrangements and the operations and investments of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund (150 instances);

(k) Advice on legal aspects of fund-raising activities of separately funded subsidiary organs, including arrangements regarding administrative fees and direct or indirect contributions (120 instances);

(l) Advice on institutional and operational arrangements for peacekeeping and other missions and for development assistance, including the formation and interpretation of agreements with Governments and international organizations concerning such arrangements (50 instances);

(m) Advice on internal oversight services, including assistance in prosecuting staff and others who engage in theft, corruption or other fraudulent activities, and assistance in the recovery of assets fraudulently obtained from the Organization (20 instances);

(n) Advice on legal aspects of the management of development and technical assistance, including personnel and financial arrangements and the revision and harmonization of staff and financial regulations and rules of the separately funded subsidiary organs (200 instances);

(o) Advice on personnel matters, including the formulation and interpretation of the Staff Regulations and Rules, issues of the rights and obligations of staff members, benefits and allowances, tax reimbursement and pension matters (500 instances);

(p) Advice on public-private partnerships, including the development of new modalities for such partnerships and the interpretation of such modalities and their application of the financial regulations and rules and national law requirements (200 instances);

(q) Advice on the legislative aspects of peacekeeping and other missions, such as regulations and rules and field administration policies, governing staff serving in such missions (200 instances).

Table 8.15 **Resource requirements: subprogramme 2**

	Resources (thousands of United States dollars)		*Posts*	
Category	*2008-2009*	*2010-2011 (before recosting)*	*2008-2009*	*2010-2011*
Regular budget				
Post	6 098.6	6 098.6	21	21
Non-post	470.7	387.4	—	—
Subtotal	**6 569.3**	**6 486.0**	**21**	**21**
Extrabudgetary	5 624.6	5 857.0	16	16
Total	**12 193.9**	**12 343.0**	**37**	**37**

8.35 Resources amounting to $6,486,000, reflecting a decrease of $83,300, would provide for the continuation of 21 posts, including 14 in the Professional and higher category and 7 in the General Service category. The non-post resources of $387,400 include general temporary assistance, overtime, consultancy for retaining services of counsel on issues requiring special expertise not available in the Secretariat, travel of staff, contractual services, subscriptions and fees for legal database services, supplies and materials, and furniture and equipment. The decrease is attributable to a reduction in requirements for consultancy and contractual services.

8.36 The amount of $5,857,000 from extrabudgetary resources will be utilized to fund 16 posts, including 12 in the Professional and higher category and 4 in the General Service category. The lawyers and support staff will provide legal support and assistance to the Organization and specifically to the funds and programmes related to peacekeeping operations. The increase relates to the additional funding being requested for the support account for peacekeeping operations applicable to staffing costs for 16 posts.

Subprogramme 3
Progressive development and codification of international law

Resource requirements (before recosting): $6,813,600

8.37 Substantive responsibility for this subprogramme is vested in the Codification Division. The subprogramme will be implemented in accordance with the strategy set out under subprogramme 3 of programme 6 of the strategic framework for the period 2010-2011.

Table 8.16 **Objectives for the biennium, expected accomplishments, indicators of achievement and performance measures**

Objective of the Organization: To facilitate the progressive development and codification of international law.

Expected accomplishments of the Secretariat	Indicators of achievement
(a) Progress in the formulation of legal instruments	(a) (i) The level of progress achieved on instruments under preparation *Performance measures* 2006-2007: 33 per cent of instruments with moderate or higher progress Estimate 2008-2009: 33 per cent of instruments with moderate or higher progress Target 2010-2011: 45 per cent of instruments with moderate or higher progress (ii) The satisfaction of Member States with the quality of parliamentary documentation and background materials *Performance measures* 2006-2007: 4 rating (scale 1-5) Estimate 2008-2009: 4 rating (scale 1-5) Target 2010-2011: 4.5 rating (scale 1-5) (iii) The satisfaction of the International Law Commission with the services provided *Performance measures* 2006-2007: 4 rating (scale 1-5) Estimate 2008-2009: 4 rating (scale 1-5) Target 2010-2011: 5 rating (scale 1-5) (iv) The satisfaction of Member States with the services provided to the Sixth Committee *Performance measures* 2006-2007: 4 rating (scale 1-5)

	Estimate 2008-2009: 4 rating (scale 1-5) Target 2010-2011: 4.5 rating (scale 1-5)
(b) Wider appreciation and understanding of international law	(b) (i) The satisfaction of participants with the quality of courses and seminars *Performance measures* 2006-2007: 4 rating (scale 1-5) Estimate 2008-2009: 4 rating (scale 1-5) Target 2010-2011: 4 rating (scale 1-5) (ii) The satisfaction of end-users with the quality of publications issued and the information disseminated electronically *Performance measures* 2006-2007: 4 rating (scale 1-5) Estimate 2008-2009: 4 rating (scale 1-5) Target 2010-2011: 4 rating (scale 1-5)

External factors

8.38 The subprogramme is expected to achieve its objectives and expected accomplishments on the assumption that:

(a) Problems requiring legal regulation on the international level will be universally recognized and favourable political conditions for their legal solution will exist;

(b) A political environment stimulating the participation of States in international legal instruments promoted under the subprogramme will continue to exist;

(c) The flow of voluntary contributions by States and private institutions for granting scholarships will continue; leading scholars and experts for seminars and courses planned under the subprogramme will be available; and Governments will show readiness to host and/or sponsor regional seminars;

(d) Extrabudgetary funding and/or gratis assistance is available for the publication of the *Repertory of Practice of United Nations Organs*.

Outputs

8.39 During the biennium 2010-2011, the following outputs will be delivered:

(a) Servicing of intergovernmental and expert bodies (regular budget):

(i) General Assembly:

a. Substantive servicing of meetings of the Sixth Committee (140);

b. Parliamentary documentation: report of the Ad Hoc Committee established by General Assembly resolution 51/210 of 17 December 1996 (2); report of the

International Law Commission (2); report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Organization (2); report on assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions (2); report on effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives (2); report on the *Repertory of Practice of United Nations Organs* and *Repertoire of the Practice of the Security Council* (2); report on the implementation of the Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law; report on the status of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts; reports of the Sixth Committee (32);

(ii) Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization:

a. Substantive servicing of meetings of the Committee and its Working Group (40);

b. Parliamentary documentation: pre-session and in-session documents (2);

(iii) Advisory Committee on the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study and Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law: substantive servicing of meetings (4);

(iv) Ad Hoc Committee on the Elaboration of Legal Instruments for the Prevention of Terrorist Acts:

a. Substantive servicing of meetings of the Committee and its Working Group (40);

b. Parliamentary documentation: pre-session and in-session documents (2);

(v) Ad Hoc Committee on Criminal Accountability of United Nations Officials and Experts on Mission:

a. Substantive servicing of meetings of the Committee and its Working Group (20);

b. Parliamentary documentation: pre-session, in-session and post-session documents (22);

(vi) International Law Commission:

a. Substantive servicing of meetings of the International Law Commission and its Drafting Committee, Planning Group and working groups (182);

b. Parliamentary documentation: in-session documents: report on the immunity of State officials from foreign criminal jurisdiction (2); report on effects of armed conflicts on treaties (2); report on the expulsion of aliens (2); report on reservations to treaties (2); report on the responsibility of international organizations (2); report on shared natural resources (2); report on the obligation to extradite or prosecute (2); report on the protection of persons in the event of disasters (2); topical summary (2);

c. Assistance to representatives and rapporteurs: assistance to the Special Rapporteur on immunities of State officials; assistance to the Special Rapporteur on effects of armed conflicts on treaties; assistance to the Special Rapporteur on the expulsion of aliens; assistance to the Special Rapporteur on reservations to treaties; assistance to the Special Rapporteur on the responsibility of international

organizations; assistance to the Special Rapporteur on shared natural resources; assistance to the Special Rapporteur on the obligation to extradite or prosecute;

(b) Other substantive activities (regular budget):

(i) Recurrent publications: *United Nations Juridical Yearbook* 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010; *Repertory of Practice of United Nations Organs*, vol. II, Supplements 7, 8 and 9, vol. IV, Supplement 8, and vol. VI, Supplements 8 and 9; *Reports of International Arbitral Awards*, vols. XXX and XXXI; United Nations Legislative Series, vol. 27; *Yearbook of the International Law Commission* 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005 and 2006, vols. I and II, Parts One and Two;

(ii) Non-recurrent publications: *International Instruments Related to the Prevention and Suppression of International Terrorism*, 3rd edition; *Reports of Judgments, Advisory Opinions and Orders* of the International Court of Justice; *National Laws and Regulations on the Prevention and Suppression of International Terrorism*, Part III, United Nations Legislative Series;

(iii) Promotion of legal instruments: coordination of the preparation of *Repertory of Practice of United Nations Organs*; website on the codification and progressive development of international law; website of the International Law Commission; website of the Sixth Committee;

(iv) Seminars for outside users: lectures/briefings on subjects in the area of international public law of direct relevance to the subprogramme for outside users;

(c) Technical cooperation (regular budget/extrabudgetary):

(i) Advisory services: cooperation with regional bodies dealing with issues in the area of progressive development of international law and its codification; participation in meetings of experts to which the United Nations is invited as an observer;

(ii) Training courses, seminars and workshops: courses and seminars (fellowships) under the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law; international law seminar (Geneva).

Table 8.17 **Resource requirements: subprogramme 3**

	Resources (thousands of United States dollars)		*Posts*	
Category	*2008-2009*	*2010-2011 (before recosting)*	*2008-2009*	*2010-2011*
Regular budget				
Post	6 176.7	6 176.7	22	22
Non-post	688.2	636.9	—	—
Subtotal	**6 864.9**	**6 813.6**	**22**	**22**
Extrabudgetary	238.6	248.0	—	—
Total	**7 103.5**	**7 061.6**	**22**	**22**

8.40 The amount of $6,813,600 provides for the continuation of 22 posts, including 14 in the Professional and higher category and 8 in the General Service category, as well as various non-post items. The decrease in non-post items ($51,300) relates to contractual services and is attributable to a reduction in external printing owing to the availability of in-house printing.

8.41 The amount of $248,000 from extrabudgetary resources will be utilized to implement the programme of assistance for which the Codification Division is responsible, including the further development and maintenance of the Audiovisual Library of International Law, the financing of additional fellowships for the United Nations International Law Fellowship Programme to complement the regular budget, when necessary, and the organization of regional courses in international law, if applicable.

Subprogramme 4
Law of the sea and ocean affairs

Resource requirements (before recosting): $8,832,100

8.42 Substantive responsibility for this subprogramme is vested in the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea. The subprogramme will be implemented in accordance with the strategy set out under subprogramme 4 of programme 6 of the strategic framework for the period 2010-2011.

Table 8.18 **Objectives for the biennium, expected accomplishments, indicators of achievement and performance measures**

Objective of the Organization: To strengthen the rule of law for the oceans.

Expected accomplishments of the Secretariat	Indicators of achievement
(a) Increased capacity of Member States and intergovernmental organizations for the uniform and consistent application of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea and the implementing agreements	(a) (i) Increased number of States parties able to implement their obligations under the Convention and the related implementing agreements *Performance measures* 2006-2007: 353 States Estimate 2008-2009: 357 States Target 2010-2011: 360 States (ii) Increased participation of States in the Convention and the related implementing agreements *Performance measures* 2006-2007: 353 States Estimate 2008-2009: 357 States Target 2010-2011: 360 States
(b) Increased opportunities for States to derive benefits from the oceans and seas in conformity with the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea and the related implementing agreements	(b) (i) Increased number of submissions to the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf

	Performance measures 2006-2007: 9 submissions Estimate 2008-2009: 25 submissions Target 2010-2011: 35 submissions (ii) Increased number of activities aimed at improving the sustainable development of the oceans and seas, the equitable and efficient utilization of their resources, the conservation of their living resources and the study, protection and preservation of the marine environment *Performance measures* 2006-2007: 19 activities Estimate 2008-2009: 21 activities Target 2010-2011: 23 activities (iii) Increased cooperation relating to the conservation and sustainable use of marine living resources and, in particular, biodiversity, in areas beyond national jurisdiction *Performance measures* (Number of activities undertaken to increase cooperation) 2006-2007: 36 activities Estimate 2008-2009: 37 activities Target 2010-2011: 38 activities
(c) Increased cooperation of intergovernmental organizations in the work of processes formed by the General Assembly, such as the United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea	(c) (i) Increased number of substantive contributions made by intergovernmental organizations to the Secretary-General's annual reports to the General Assembly on oceans and the law of the sea, including special reports *Performance measures* 2006-2007: 67 contributions Estimate 2008-2009: 69 contributions Target 2010-2011: 71 contributions

	(ii) Active participation of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations in the work of the United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea and other relevant processes *Performance measures* 2006-2007: 99 participants Estimate 2008-2009: 100 participants Target 2010-2011: 101 participants
(d) Increased cooperation between intergovernmental organizations and the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea in the coordination on ocean-related issues	(d) Increased activities carried out jointly between the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea and other relevant organizations, including requests for assistance *Performance measures* 2006-2007: 28 joint activities Estimate 2008-2009: 29 joint activities Target 2010-2011: 31 joint activities

External factors

8.43 The subprogramme is expected to achieve its objectives and expected accomplishments on the assumption that: (a) the marine sector is accorded due priority in national plans, programmes and projects; (b) programmes and resources are available to national authorities to adopt/adapt and implement legal instruments in the field of law of the sea and ocean affairs; and (c) intergovernmental bodies have programmes and resources to execute the required coordination and to provide the necessary input to ensure better governance of the oceans.

Outputs

8.44 During the biennium 2010-2011, the following outputs will be delivered:

(a) Servicing of intergovernmental and expert bodies (regular budget):

(i) Meeting of the States Parties to the Convention on the Law of the Sea:

a. Substantive servicing of meetings: plenary (50);

b. Parliamentary documentation: annual report of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea for the years 2009 and 2010, as required by article 319 of the Convention, annual report on issues of a general nature that have arisen with respect to the Convention, the work of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf and priority topics selected by States (4); background papers and conference room papers, as mandated (8); report of the Meeting of States Parties on its twentieth and twenty-first sessions (2);

(ii) General Assembly:

a. Substantive servicing of meetings (40);

b. Parliamentary documentation: annual report of the Secretary-General on developments pertaining to the implementation of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea and other developments and emerging issues relating to ocean affairs and the law of the sea (2); report on sustainable fisheries, including the implementation of the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks and related instruments (2); report on the state of the marine environment, including socio-economic aspects (2); report on the work of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Informal Working Group to study issues relating to the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity beyond areas of national jurisdiction (2); report on the work of the United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea (2); report relating to the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity beyond areas of national jurisdiction (2);

(iii) Resumed Review Conference on the 1995 Fish Stocks Agreement:

a. Substantive servicing of meetings: preparatory meeting for the resumed Review Conference and meeting of the resumed Review Conference (20);

b. Parliamentary documentation: background papers and conference room papers, as mandated (4); report of the resumed Review Conference (2); report of the Secretary-General to the resumed Review Conference;

(iv) Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea:

a. Substantive servicing of meetings: plenary meetings and working groups (40);

b. Parliamentary documentation: background papers and conference room papers, as mandated (4); priority topics selected by the consultative process (4);

(v) Ad Hoc Open-ended Informal Working Group to study issues relating to the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity beyond areas of national jurisdiction:

a. Substantive servicing of meetings (2);

b. Parliamentary documentation: background and conference room papers, as mandated (6);

(vi) Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf:

a. Substantive servicing of meetings: plenary meetings and working groups (260);

b. Parliamentary documentation: background papers and conference room papers, as mandated (8); priority topics selected by the Commission (4);

c. Ad hoc expert groups: Aquatic Sciences and Fisheries Abstracts Advisory Board: plenary meetings (2);

(b) Other substantive activities (regular budget):

(i) Recurrent publications: *Bibliography of the Law of the Sea* (2); *Law of the Sea Bulletin* (6);

(ii) Non-recurrent publications: compendium of legal and management tools for the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity beyond areas of national jurisdiction; charts and lists of geographical coordinates under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea — technical standards; *Marine Scientific Research: Legislative History of the Relevant Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea*; *Marine Scientific Research: Training manual*; maritime boundaries; Sedentary Species: Guide to the Implementation of Article 77 of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea; Sedentary Species: Legislative History of the Relevant Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea;

(iii) Booklets, fact sheets, wallcharts, information kits: abstracts for the inter-agency monthly publication *Aquatic Sciences and Fisheries Abstracts* (6); information on current developments in the area of the law of the sea and ocean affairs (8); law of the sea information circular (4); special studies and reviews, in cooperation with competent international organizations as required, on selected emerging or current issues related to the law of the sea and ocean affairs (2);

(iv) Press releases, press conferences: press releases: meetings of States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, meetings of the United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea; sessions of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf; resumed Review Conference on the 1995 Fish Stocks Agreement; Ad Hoc Open-ended Informal Working Group to study issues relating to the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity beyond areas of national jurisdiction;

(v) Technical material: website on the law of the sea and ocean affairs; maintenance and further development of facilities for the deposit by States of charts and geographical coordinates concerning baselines and limits of national maritime zones and of the system for recording them;

(vi) Promotion of legal instruments: promotion of the universal acceptance of the Convention and the related agreements, their uniform and consistent application and their effective implementation;

(c) Technical cooperation (regular budget/extrabudgetary):

(i) Advisory services:

a. On issues related to the full realization of benefits by States under the Convention, including economic, technological, scientific and environmental issues;

b. On issues related to the uniform and consistent application and effective implementation of the Convention and related agreements;

(ii) Training courses, seminars and workshops: operation and further development of the training programme on the law of the sea and ocean affairs, including TRAIN-SEA-COAST (with the support of UNDP):

a. Organization of seminars and workshops related to the law of the sea and ocean affairs;

b. Regular and ad hoc briefings on the law of the sea;

(iii) Fellowships and grants: annual award of the United Nations/Nippon Foundation scholarships and supervision of recipients through the operation of capacity-building training; annual award of the Hamilton Shirley Amerasinghe Memorial Fellowship and

supervision of the fellowship recipient through the operation of the fellowship programme;

(iv) Field projects: project support in cooperation with funding agencies and in joint activities with other international organizations and institutions, where appropriate;

(d) Conference services, administration, oversight (regular budget): library services: provision of library services through the maintenance and development of the specialized reference collection and bibliographic database on the law of the sea and ocean affairs.

Table 8.19 **Resource requirements: subprogramme 4**

	Resources (thousands of United States dollars)		*Posts*	
Category	*2008-2009*	*2010-2011 (before recosting)*	*2008-2009*	*2010-2011*
Regular budget				
Post	7 773.7	7 779.2	28	28
Non-post	2 474.8	1 052.9	—	—
Subtotal	**10 248.5**	**8 832.1**	**28**	**28**
Extrabudgetary	3 433.2	3 331.1	—	—
Total	**13 681.7**	**12 163.2**	**28**	**28**

8.45 The amount of $8,832,100, reflecting a decrease of $1,416,400, provides for 28 posts, including 19 in the Professional and higher category and 9 in the General Service category, as well as non-post items such as other staff costs, consultants and experts, travel of staff, supplies, and furniture and equipment. The increase in post requirements is related to the proposal to establish one P-3 post for a GIS Officer to strengthen the capacity of the Division to support the work of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf, which would be partially offset by the abolition of one General Service (Other level) post. The decrease in non-post resources is due mainly to the discontinuation of the non-recurrent provision of $1,365,300 for proprietary software provided to the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea in the biennium 2008-2009, as well as a reduction in consultancy services resulting from the rationalization and revision of the requirements for consultants in the Division and a reduction in supplies and materials and furniture and equipment ($51,100).

8.46 The amount of $3,331,100 in extrabudgetary resources will be utilized to implement programmes related to promotion of the universal acceptance of the Convention and the related agreements, their uniform and consistent application and their implementation; training courses, seminars and workshops on the preparation of the submission to the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf in accordance with article 76 of the Convention; participation of Member States' representatives in workshops the Division intends to organize in collaboration with other international organizations and institutions; and support for trainees in the field of ocean affairs and the law of related disciplines. The decrease relates to the reduction in activities and funding foreseen for the fellowship programme in the biennium 2010-2011.

Subprogramme 5
Progressive harmonization, modernization and unification of the law of international trade

Resource requirements: $6,591,000

8.47 Substantive responsibility for this subprogramme is vested in the International Trade Law Division. The subprogramme will be implemented in accordance with the strategy set out under subprogramme 5 of programme 6 of the strategic framework for the period 2010-2011.

Table 8.20 **Objectives for the biennium, expected accomplishments, indicators of achievement and performance measures**

Objective of the Organization: To facilitate and encourage the progressive improvement, harmonization, understanding, knowledge and application of international trade law and coordination of the work of international organizations active in that field.

Expected accomplishments of the Secretariat	Indicators of achievement
(a) Contributions to the modernization of trade law and practices and reduction of legal uncertainties and obstacles posed by inadequate and disparate laws	(a) (i) Increased number of legislative decisions (ratifications and national enactments) based on UNCITRAL texts *Performance measures* 2006-2007: 42 additional treaty actions and national enactments Estimate 2008-2009: 40 additional treaty actions and national enactments Target 2010-2011: 40 additional treaty actions and national enactments (ii) Increased number of judicial decisions based on UNCITRAL texts *Performance measures* 2006-2007: 115 additional judicial and arbitral decisions collected in the Case Law on UNCITRAL texts (CLOUT) database Estimate 2008-2009: 85 additional judicial and arbitral decisions collected in CLOUT database Target 2010-2011: 95 additional judicial and arbitral decisions collected in CLOUT database

(b) Contributions to increased understanding of international trade law issues and reliance on UNCITRAL standards	(b) (i) Increased number of publications or databases referring to the work and mentioning texts of UNCITRAL *Performance measures* 2006-2007: 500 additional publications collected in the UNCITRAL bibliography Estimate 2008-2009: 360 additional publications collected in the UNCITRAL bibliography Target 2010-2011: 400 additional publications collected in the UNCITRAL bibliography (ii) Increased number of page views on the UNCITRAL website *Performance measures* 2006-2007: 2,450 page views per day Estimate 2008-2009: 1,900 page views per day Target 2010-2011: 2,500 page views per day
(c) Improved coordination and cooperation among international organizations active in the field of international trade law	(c) Increased number of joint activities that incorporate references to UNCITRAL trade law standards *Performance measures* 2006-2007: 63 joint activities Estimate 2008-2009: 63 joint activities Target 2010-2011: 63 joint activities
(d) Facilitation of the work of UNCITRAL	(d) Satisfaction of UNCITRAL with the services provided *Performance measures* 2006-2007: 4.3 rating (scale 1-5) Estimate 2008-2009: 4 rating (scale 1-5) Target 2010-2011: 4 rating (scale 1-5)

External factors

8.48 The subprogramme is expected to achieve its objectives and expected accomplishments on the assumption that: (a) Member States will adhere to conventions on international trade law and enact model laws and report on such legislative actions; (b) national correspondents will report on court and arbitral tribunal activities at the national level; (c) international organizations will cooperate in the coordination process and the organization of joint activities.

Outputs

8.49 During the biennium 2010-2011, the following outputs will be delivered:

(a) Servicing of intergovernmental and expert bodies (regular budget):

(i) United Nations Commission on International Trade Law:

a. Substantive servicing of meetings: presentation of substantive reports prepared by the Division, responses to requests for clarification, procedural and substantive advice to the Chairperson and preparation of the draft report (2); presentation of the annual report of the Commission (2);

b. Parliamentary documentation: report of the Commission to the General Assembly (2); reports of six intergovernmental working groups, substantive reports requested by the Commission, substantive recurrent reports and substantive conference room papers (50);

(ii) UNCITRAL Working Groups I to VI:

a. Substantive servicing of meetings: presentation of substantive reports prepared by the Division, responses to requests for clarification, procedural and substantive advice to the Chairperson and preparation of draft reports (24);

b. Parliamentary documentation: reports prepared in response to requests of working groups and substantive conference room papers (216);

(iii) Ad hoc expert groups: discussion of draft reports and statutory texts prepared by the Branch for submission to the Commission and its working groups; discussion of draft reports and statutory texts prepared by the Division for submission to the Commission and its working groups (12);

(b) Other substantive activities (regular budget):

(i) Recurrent publications: *Yearbook of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law*, vols. XXXVIII, 2007, and XXXIX, 2008;

(ii) Non-recurrent publications: booklet on a revised UNCITRAL Model Law on International Commercial Arbitration, with Guide to Enactment; booklet on the United Nations Convention on the Carriage of Goods, with commentary; booklet on the revised UNCITRAL arbitration rules; booklet on the United Nations Convention on the Assignment of Receivables in International Trade, with commentary; UNCITRAL Legislative Guide on Secured Transactions;

(iii) Exhibits, guided tours, lectures: lectures to groups of practitioners, academics and law students in Vienna and elsewhere as part of programmes organized by other professional, academic, non-governmental or intergovernmental organizations (15);

(iv) Special events: participation as co-organizers and moderators in the annual Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot in Vienna;

(v) Technical material: maintenance of a searchable Internet database of court and arbitral decisions collected under the CLOUT system; maintenance of the system for collecting court and arbitral decisions on Commission texts; publication of abstracts of decisions; monitoring developments and trends;

(c) Technical cooperation (regular budget/extrabudgetary): advisory services at the request of Governments in the form of briefing missions, seminars, law reform assessments, assistance in the drafting of national legislation based on UNCITRAL texts and advice on the use of non-legislative Commission texts;

(d) Conference services, administration, oversight (regular budget): provision of library services; acquisition for and servicing of the UNCITRAL Law Library; maintenance of the UNCITRAL website.

Table 8.21 **Resource requirements: subprogramme 5**

	Resources (thousands of United States dollars)		*Posts*	
Category	*2008-2009*	*2010-2011 (before recosting)*	*2008-2009*	*2010-2011*
Regular budget				
Post	5 863.9	5 863.9	21	21
Non-post	818.2	727.1	—	—
Subtotal	**6 682.1**	**6 591.0**	**21**	**21**
Extrabudgetary	199.6	228.6	—	—
Total	**6 881.7**	**6 819.6**	**21**	**21**

8.50 The amount of $6,591,000, reflecting a decrease of $91,100, provides for the continuation of 21 posts, including 14 in the Professional and higher category and 7 in the General Service category, as well as non-post resources for consultants and experts, travel of staff, maintenance of office automation equipment, supplies, and furniture and equipment. The decrease relates to a reduction in consultancy services as a result of the rationalization and revision of the requirements for consultants and a reduction in supplies and materials owing to the availability of some materials online at no cost to the Organization.

8.51 The amount of $228,600 from extrabudgetary resources will be utilized to conduct UNCITRAL seminars on international trade law. The seminars cover the main legal texts of UNCITRAL, which form important building blocks of the modern legal regime for international commerce, relating to such subjects as contracts for the international sale of goods, the carriage of goods by sea, international commercial arbitration, banking and payments and procurement. The audience participating in UNCITRAL seminars is typically mixed, including Government officials, judges, law professors, practising lawyers, businessmen and representatives from non-governmental organizations, such as arbitral centres and chambers of commerce.

Subprogramme 6
Custody, registration and publication of treaties

Resource requirements (before recosting): $6,652,500

8.52 Substantive responsibility for this subprogramme is vested in the Treaty Section. The subprogramme will be implemented in accordance with the strategy set out under subprogramme 6 of programme 6 of the strategic framework for the period 2010-2011.

Table 8.22 **Objectives for the biennium, expected accomplishments, indicators of achievement and performance measures**

Objective of the Organization: To facilitate wider awareness of international treaties concluded under the auspices of the United Nations, treaties deposited with the Secretary-General and treaties registered with the Secretariat under Article 102 of the Charter, and actions relating to those treaties.

Expected accomplishments of the Secretariat	Indicators of achievement
(a) Improved access to international treaties deposited with the Secretary-General and related treaty actions, including information on their status, and to treaties and related actions submitted for registration and publication with the Secretariat	(a) (i) The timely provision of substantive and procedural depositary-related advice and guidance on treaties to be deposited with the Secretary-General *Performance measures* 2006-2007: 13 instances in which advice was provided in a timely manner Estimate 2008-2009: 10 instances in which advice is provided in a timely manner Target 2010-2011: 10 instances in which advice is provided in a timely manner (ii) The timely processing of treaty actions and formalities relating to treaties deposited with the Secretary-General *Performance measures* 2006-2007: within 1 or 2 days Estimate 2008-2009: within 1 or 2 days Target 2010-2011: within 1 or 2 days (iii) The timely processing of treaties and actions submitted for registration and publication

	Performance measures 2006-2007: 24 treaties and actions received in a given month registered by the first week of the following month Estimate 2008-2009: 24 treaties and actions received in a given month registered by the first week of the following month Target 2010-2011: 24 treaties and actions received in a given month registered by the first week of the following month
	(iv) Increased number of page views on the Treaty Section's website *Performance measures* 2006-2007: 415,000 page views per month Estimate 2008-2009: 300,000 page views per month Target 2010-2011: 300,000 page views per month
(b) Promotion of broader State participation in the multilateral treaty framework	(b) (i) Increased number of treaty actions (e.g. ratifications and accessions) received for deposit with the Secretary-General *Performance measures* 2006-2007: 2,843 treaty actions received Estimate 2008-2009: 3,200 treaty actions received Target 2010-2011: 3,200 treaty actions received
	(ii) Increased participation by Member States in the international treaty framework *Performance measures* 2006-2007: 85 per cent Estimate 2008-2009: 85 per cent Target 2010-2011: 85 per cent

(c) Enhanced familiarity with and understanding by Member States of the technical and legal aspects of participating in the multilateral treaty framework and registering treaties with the Secretariat	(c) (i) Increased number of treaty actions submitted for deposit in the proper format *Performance measures* 2006-2007: 75 per cent correct submissions Estimate 2008-2009: 90 per cent correct submissions Target 2010-2011: 95 per cent correct submissions (ii) Increased number of treaties and actions submitted for registration and publication in the proper form, pursuant to Article 102 of the Charter *Performance measures* 2006-2007: 75 per cent of submissions are correct Estimate 2008-2009: 90 per cent of submissions are correct Target 2010-2011: 95 per cent of submissions are correct
(d) Increased respect for the international treaty framework	(d) (i) Increased requests for depositary and registration-related information and advice from States, other United Nations offices, specialized agencies and treaty bodies *Performance measures* 2006-2007: 1,426 requests Estimate 2008-2009: 1,500 requests Target 2010-2011: 1,500 requests (ii) Increased number of participants in training seminars or ad hoc training sessions provided by the Treaty Section at Headquarters and in the regions *Performance measures* 2006-2007: 484 participants trained Estimate 2008-2009: 400 participants trained Target 2010-2011: 500 participants trained

External factors

8.53 The subprogramme is expected to achieve its objectives and expected accomplishments on the assumption that:

(a) Member States will request legal and technical assistance before concluding treaties, in particular final clauses of treaties, and before submitting treaties for registration, thus avoiding delays and potential problems;

(b) Member States will increasingly provide materials in an electronic format to facilitate registration and publication and will provide courtesy translations of treaties submitted in languages other than the official languages of the United Nations.

Outputs

8.54 During the biennium 2010-2011, the following outputs will be delivered:

(a) Other substantive activities (regular budget):

(i) Recurrent publications: bilingual issues (English and French) of the monthly statements of treaties and international agreements registered or filed and recorded with the Secretariat (ST/LEG/SER.A...); Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General: status as at 31 December 2009 and as at 31 December 2010; preparation of volumes of the *Treaty Series Cumulative Index* (2); preparation of the Treaty Event Book (2); publication of the United Nations *Treaty Series*;

(ii) Non-recurrent publications: establishment of certified true copies of multilateral treaties for States and international organizations; updating of the *Final Clauses of Multilateral Treaties Handbook*; updating of the *Treaty Handbook*; updating of the *Summary of Practice of the Secretary-General as Depositary of Multilateral Treaties*;

(iii) Technical material: maintenance and updating of the Office of Legal Affairs website, its iSeek web page and its Legal Technical Assistance website; maintenance and updating of the United Nations treaty collection on the Internet (status of multilateral treaties, depositary notifications, certified true copies, *Treaty Series*, monthly statement, summary of practice, information on workshops, treaty events, etc.); overall database management and general information technology support, including providing access to the United Nations treaty collection on the Internet; preparation of *Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General*: status as at 31 December 2009 and as at 31 December 2010 for CD-ROM production (2); preparation of the *Treaty Series Cumulative Index* automatically from the database; preparation of *Treaty Series* volumes internally through the desktop-publishing system;

(iv) Promotion of legal instruments: custody of more than 500 multilateral treaties and related instruments for which the Secretary-General performs depositary functions in accordance with relevant final clauses; issuance of depositary notifications concerning multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General; preparation of papers and other material for delivery at public gatherings (general legal advice and services); processing, recording and notifying States and international organizations of approximately 2,800 to 3,200 treaty actions (signatures, ratifications, acceptances, approvals, accessions, successions and the like); provision of information on the status of multilateral treaties to States, international organizations, United Nations offices and other treaty bodies; provision of information on the status of registered instruments to States, intergovernmental organizations, United Nations offices and other treaty bodies (Article 102 of the Charter); provision of legal advice on all aspects of treaty law and

depositary, registration and publication practice to States, international organizations, United Nations offices and other treaty bodies; rectification of treaties deposited with the Secretary-General, as required; registration and processing of approximately 3,200 treaties, including legal analysis; subsequent actions relating to more than 50,000 treaties and international agreements already registered or filed and recorded with the Secretariat (Article 102 of the Charter);

(b) Technical cooperation (regular budget/extrabudgetary):

(i) Advisory services: provision of legal advice on all aspects of treaty law and depositary, registration and publication practice to States, international organizations, United Nations offices and other treaty bodies;

(ii) Training courses, seminars and workshops: training seminars (at and away from Headquarters) on various aspects of treaty law, the depositary practice of the Secretary-General and the registration of treaties organized for permanent missions, Government officials and international organizations.

Table 8.23 **Resource requirements: subprogramme 6**

	Resources (thousands of United States dollars)		*Posts*	
Category	*2008-2009*	*2010-2011 (before recosting)*	*2008-2009*	*2010-2011*
Regular budget				
Post	6 069.6	6 069.6	27	27
Non-post	854.6	582.9	—	—
Total	**6 924.2**	**6 652.5**	**27**	**27**

8.55 The amount of $6,652,500, reflecting a decrease of $271,700, would provide for the continuation of 27 posts, including 12 in the Professional and higher category and 15 in the General Service category, as well as various non-post items. The decrease in non-post resources of $271,700 is attributable to the reduction in external printing requirements, as the *Treaty Series* is now being printed internally.

D. Programme support

Resource requirements (before recosting): $2,145,200

8.56 The Executive Office provides services to the Office of Legal Affairs in connection with personnel, budgetary and financial administration, resource planning and use of common services, together with administrative support for policymaking organs and other international meetings, as required.

Table 8.24 **Resource requirements: programme support**

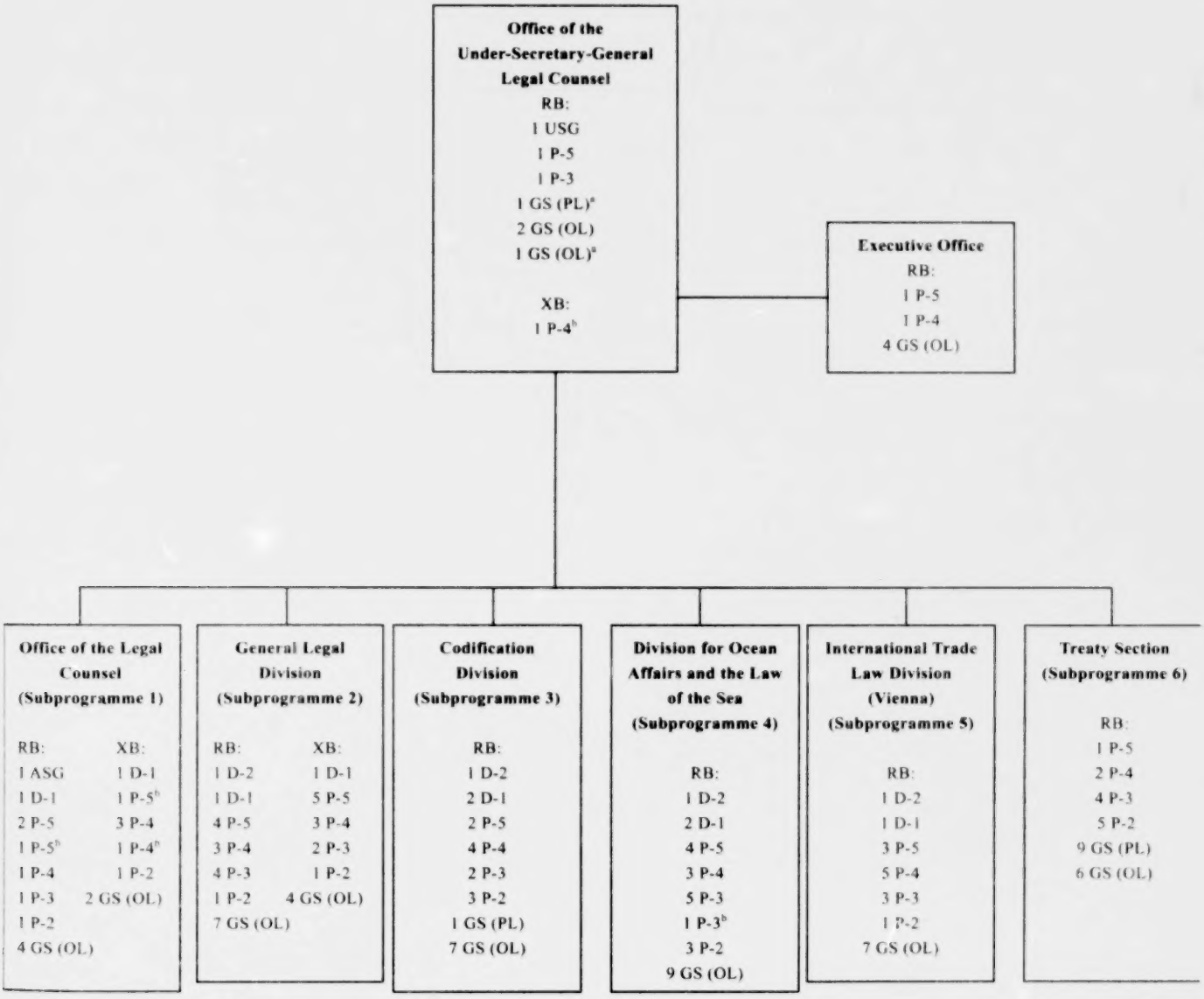
Category	Resources (thousands of United States dollars) 2008-2009	2010-2011 (before recosting)	Posts 2008-2009	2010-2011
Regular budget				
Post	1 357.2	1 357.2	6	6
Non-post	757.7	788.0	—	—
Total	**2 114.9**	**2 145.2**	**6**	**6**

8.57 The amount of $2,145,200, reflecting an increase of $30,300, would provide resources for the continuation of six posts, including two in the Professional and higher category and four in the General Service category, as well as various non-post items. Increased requirements are due to the provision to support central data-processing services provided by the Office of Information and Communications Technology.

Table 8.25 **Summary of follow-up action taken to implement relevant recommendations of oversight bodies**

Brief description of the recommendation	Action taken to implement the recommendation
Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/62/7 and Corr.1)	
The Advisory Committee encouraged the Secretariat to review the possibility of printing the *Treaty Series* in-house in order to reduce cost and looked forward to an update on progress made in this respect in the context of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011 (para. III.18).	The *Treaty Series* is now being printed in-house. Reduced requirements under external printing are reflected in the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011.

Office of Legal Affairs
Organizational structure and post distribution for the biennium 2010-2011


Office of the Under-Secretary-General Legal Counsel
RB:
1 USG
1 P-5
1 P-3
1 GS (PL)[a]
2 GS (OL)
1 GS (OL)[a]
XB:
1 P-4[b]
Executive Office
RB:
1 P-5
1 P-4
4 GS (OL)
Office of the Legal Counsel (Subprogramme 1)
RB: 1 ASG, 1 D-1, 2 P-5, 1 P-5[b], 1 P-4, 1 P-3, 1 P-2, 4 GS (OL)
XB: 1 D-1, 1 P-5[b], 3 P-4, 1 P-4[b], 1 P-2, 2 GS (OL)
General Legal Division (Subprogramme 2)
RB: 1 D-2, 1 D-1, 4 P-5, 3 P-4, 4 P-3, 1 P-2, 7 GS (OL)
XB: 1 D-1, 5 P-5, 3 P-4, 2 P-3, 1 P-2, 4 GS (OL)
Codification Division (Subprogramme 3)
RB: 1 D-2, 2 D-1, 2 P-5, 4 P-4, 2 P-3, 3 P-2, 1 GS (PL), 7 GS (OL)
Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (Subprogramme 4)
RB: 1 D-2, 2 D-1, 4 P-5, 3 P-4, 5 P-3, 1 P-3[b], 3 P-2, 9 GS (OL)
International Trade Law Division (Vienna) (Subprogramme 5)
RB: 1 D-2, 1 D-1, 3 P-5, 5 P-4, 3 P-3, 1 P-2, 7 GS (OL)
Treaty Section (Subprogramme 6)
RB: 1 P-5, 2 P-4, 4 P-3, 5 P-2, 9 GS (PL), 6 GS (OL)

Abbreviations: RB, regular budget; XB, extrabudgetary; USG, Under-Secretary-General; GS (PL), General Service (Principal level); GS (OL), General Service (Other level).

[a] Proposed inward redeployment.

[b] New post.

Annex

Outputs produced in 2008-2009 not to be carried out in the biennium 2010-2011

Legal affairs

A/62/6, paragraph	*Output*	*Quantity*	*Reason for discontinuation*
Law of the sea and ocean affairs			
8.41 (b) (i)	*Practice of States* publication	2	Now being published on the website of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea
	Total	2	